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TO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

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TAGS: OTRA ENRG VE

BEIRUT POUCH BAGHDAD

SUBJECT: VENEZUELAN MISSION TO MID-EAST OIL PRODUCING
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1. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS HIGH-LEVEL DELEGATION FROM VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT WILL VISIT SEVERAL OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES IN MIDDLE EAST DURING LAST HALF OF NOVEMBER PRIMARILY TO DISCUSS INVESTMENT FUND TO BE MADE UP OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OPEC COUNTRIES. THE DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY VENEZUELAN MINISTER OF MINES VALENTIN HERNANDEZ AND VENEZUELAN MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO FOR FOREIGN INVESTMENT CARLOS GUILLERMO RANGEL. INCLUDED IN DELEGATION WILL BE THOR HALVORSSSEN, A YOUNG VENEZUELAN BUSINESSMAN CLOSE TO PRESIDENT PEREZ. HE IS FIRST DIRECTOR OF TELEPHONE COMPANY (CANTV), PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL ON TOURISM, AND IN PRIVATE LIFE, A SENIOR OFFICER OF COMPANY HE OWNS WITH HIS BROTHERS, "ELECTRO INDUSTRIAL HALVEN".

2. HALVORSSSEN HAS INFORMALLY INDICATED TO DEPARTMENT THAT HE WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS DURING HIS TRIP. DEPARTMENT HAS SUGGESTED HE CONTACT ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL SECTION,

OR IN SMALLER EMBASSIES THE AMBASSADORS. DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS THAT IT COULD BE USEFUL DISCREETLY TO DEBRIEF HALVORSSSEN FOR SOME READING OF VENEZUELAN PROPOSALS AND REACTION THERETO DURING TRIP. HALVORSSSEN HAS CLOSE COMMERCIAL INVOLVEMENT WITH UNITED STATES AND IS VERY FAVORABLY DISPOSED TO US.

3. TENTATIVE ITINERARY OF VENEZUELAN DELEGATION AS WE UNDERSTAND IT IS:

NOVEMBER 14 - CARACAS, MADRID
NOVEMBER 16 - ROME
NOVEMBER 17 - BEIRUT
NOVEMBER 17 - BAGHDAD
NOVEMBER 20 - KUWAIT
NOVEMBER 21 - DOHA, QATAR
NOVEMBER 24 - ABU DHABI
NOVEMBER 25 - DOHA, QATAR
NOVEMBER 26 - RIYAH
NOVEMBER 29 - BEIRUT
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NOVEMBER 30 - ISTANBUL
DECEMBER 1 - TEHRAN INGERSOLL

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